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## CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Previously submitted

(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

Application Number	09/936,901
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Attorney Docket Number	45504-019

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on 10/16/2003

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